

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **COASTAL AND ESTUARINE LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM (CELCP) GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL FY2008**

On August 31, 2006, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) announced a solicitation process for grant applications pursuant to the Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP). This is a national competitive program providing grants for public land acquisition projects to preserve lands with significant ecological and other resource values.

Grant applications for this program must be submitted to NOAA by the California Coastal Management Program not later than October 27, 2006. The State is allowed to submit a maximum of three grant applications, each of which may request up to \$3 million from CELCP.

**To meet that deadline, grant applications must be received by the California Coastal Management Program by no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, September 28, 2006 at:**

Attn: CELCP  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100  
Oakland, CA 94612

Guidance concerning project eligibility, program priorities and application procedures is provided through the NOAA website at

[http://coastalmanagement.noaa.gov/land/celcp\\_fundingop.html](http://coastalmanagement.noaa.gov/land/celcp_fundingop.html)

and in the draft "California CELCP Conservation Plan" posted on the Coastal Conservancy website at <http://www.scc.ca.gov/CELCP/applications.htm>

The project applications selected for transmittal to NOAA will be posted on the Coastal Conservancy website on Wednesday, October 11, 2006.

Inquiries concerning the CELCP program may be addressed by email to the Coastal Conservancy at [celcp@scc.ca.gov](mailto:celcp@scc.ca.gov)

**Application submissions to the Coastal Conservancy by Thursday, September 28 must include a completed Project Application Checklist contained on the NOAA website (questions 1-21). Applicants should also include a brief description of the proposed acquisition project, including maps, current status of landowner negotiations and proposed matching funds, but need not complete the Project Description /Scope of Work and Budget by 9/28. The latter information will be needed for the applications selected to be submitted to NOAA by 10/25/06.**